

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 901

WHEREAS, Amendment I of the United States Constitution, which provides in part that “Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion...” is a specific and unequivocal instruction to only the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS, the United States Constitution makes no restriction on the ability of states to acknowledge God, the Supreme Ruler of the Universe; and

WHEREAS, Amendment X of the United States Constitution, which provides that “The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people”, reserved the right of the acknowledgment of God to the states and the people; and

WHEREAS, the Preamble to the Missouri Constitution, which provides that “We the people of Missouri, with profound reverence for the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, and grateful for His goodness, do establish this constitution for the better government of the state”, is within the boundaries of rights reserved to the states by the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Judiciary has overstepped its constitutional boundaries and ruled against the acknowledgment of God as the sovereign source of law, liberty, and government by local and state officers and other state institutions, including state schools; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Judiciary has created confusion between Amendment I and Amendment X of the United States Constitution, and has consistently misapplied Amendment 14, usurping the rights of the states and the people; and

WHEREAS, Article VI of the United States Constitution requires that each member of the United States Congress and each member of the several state legislatures be bound by oath or affirmation to “support this constitution”; and

WHEREAS, among the seminal principles of our constitutional republic is the premise that each branch of government will be a “check” upon the others; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress is charged with the solemn responsibility to cause the Federal Judiciary to refrain from interfering with the acknowledgment of God by any local, state, or Federal official by any constitutional means at its' disposal, including limiting the jurisdiction of the Federal courts in such matters; and

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 2 of the United States Constitution, provides in part that “the.... court shall have appellate jurisdiction, both as to law and fact, with such exceptions, and under such regulations as the Congress shall make”; and

WHEREAS, there is pending before the 1st Session of the 109th Congress the Constitution Restoration Act of 2005, which will limit the jurisdiction of the Federal courts and preserve the right to acknowledge God, exercised by the state of Missouri in its Preamble to the Missouri Constitution, to the states and to the people and resolve the

issue of improper judicial intervention in matters relating to the acknowledgment of God:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Missouri Senate, Ninety-Third General Assembly, First Regular Session, hereby urge the United States Congress to adopt forthwith HR1070 and S520, the Constitution Restoration Act of 2005; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Missouri Senate be instructed to prepare properly inscribed copies of this resolution for the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the President of the United States Senate, the Chair of the United States Senate Judiciary Committee, the Chair of the United States House of Representatives Judiciary Committee, and each member of the Missouri Congressional delegation.

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